

Second Regular Session 115th General Assembly (2008)

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HOUSE ENROLLED ACT No. 1162

AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 2-5-29 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]:

Chapter 29. Youth Advisory Council

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "council" refers to the youth advisory council established by section 2 of this chapter.

Sec. 2. The youth advisory council is established to provide to the general assembly information from young people concerning issues that are of importance to youth in Indiana, including:

- (1) education;
- (2) employment;
- (3) strategies to increase youth involvement in state and local government;
- (4) safe environments for youth;
- (5) substance abuse;
- (6) emotional and physical health;
- (7) foster care;
- (8) poverty;
- (9) homelessness; and
- (10) youth access to state and local services.

Sec. 3. (a) The council consists of the following members, who

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must be at least fourteen (14) years of age and not more than eighteen (18) years of age at the time of appointment:

- (1) Five (5) members appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate.
- (2) Five (5) members appointed by the minority leader of the senate.
- (3) Five (5) members appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.
- (4) Five (5) members appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives.
- (5) Two (2) members appointed by the governor.

(b) The members of the council shall be selected so as to give representation to the various geographical areas of Indiana.

(c) The members of the council shall annually elect a chairperson of the council from among the members.

(d) Members of the council shall serve for a two (2) year term and may be reappointed.

Sec. 4. The council has the following duties:

- (1) To advise the general assembly concerning proposed and pending legislation, including budget expenditures and policy matters related to youth.
- (2) To advise the standing committees and study committees of the general assembly concerning issues related to youth.
- (3) To conduct periodic seminars for members of the council concerning leadership, government, and the general assembly.
- (4) To report to the general assembly, not later than December 1 of each year, concerning the council's activities, including any proposed legislation to implement recommendations of the council. The report must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

Sec. 5. (a) The council shall meet at least three (3) times, and not more than six (6) times, per year.

(b) Meetings held under this section must include not more than two (2) public hearings per year concerning issues of importance to youth.

(c) The affirmative votes of a majority of the members appointed to the council are required for the council to take action on any measure, including annual reports.

Sec. 6. (a) The state superintendent of public instruction shall supervise the activities of the council.

(b) The department of education shall staff the council.

Sec. 7. (a) The expenses of the council shall be paid from the

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budget of the department of education.

(b) Each member of the council is entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). The member is also entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

Sec. 8. This chapter expires June 30, 2012.

SECTION 2. IC 36-4-13 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]:

Chapter 13. Legislative Body Youth Adviser

Sec. 1. The presiding officer of the legislative body of a municipality may appoint an individual who is not more than eighteen (18) years of age to serve as an adviser to the legislative body on matters affecting youth in the community.

Sec. 2. An individual appointed under section 1 of this chapter is not a member of the legislative body.

SECTION 3. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008] (a) Notwithstanding IC 2-5-29-3(c), as added by this act:

- (1) two (2) of the members initially appointed under IC 2-5-29-3(a)(1), as added by this act;
- (2) three (3) of the members initially appointed under IC 2-5-29-3(a)(2), as added by this act;
- (3) three (3) of the members initially appointed under IC 2-5-29-3(a)(3), as added by this act;
- (4) two (2) of the members initially appointed under IC 2-5-29-3(a)(4), as added by this act; and
- (5) one (1) of the members initially appointed under IC 2-5-29-3(a)(5), as added by this act;

shall serve an initial term of one (1) year.

(b) This SECTION expires June 30, 2009.

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